

ANTWERP CRUSHED BY HAIL OF SHELLS

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reaching the War Office were received at the Belgian Legation, but it was stated there that no official confirmation had been received.

A concerted attack on England will follow, it is believed. The first great German plan, the capture of Paris, has failed, and the Germans now are entering upon their second objective. This is a series of blows at the English Channel littoral and the seizure of ports in northern Belgium and north-eastern France.

ALLIES RETIRE AS ANTWERP SURRENDERS, BERLIN SAYS

Complete occupation of the city of Antwerp by the German forces was announced in the following statement issued by the War Office today:
Antwerp is in our possession. We have had control of the city since yesterday afternoon.

enemy has suffered so tremendously in his attempts to arrest our advance and outflank us that he has been compelled to withdraw from several points about Arras.

ALLIES ARE HARD PRESSED IN NORTHWESTERN FRANCE

German troops are making heavy attacks upon the Allies north and northwest of Lille, but the situation is satisfactory as far as the Allies are concerned, according to the official French statement issued at 3 o'clock this afternoon. It says that the French troops have gained some advantage north of the Oise and have made progress about St. Mihiel, at the eastern end of the battle front.

In the region of St. Mihiel we have made evident advance. In the Belgian theatre of war it is announced that Antwerp was taken yesterday, but it is not yet known under what conditions.

CZAR CHECKED AT PRZEMYSL, AUSTRIAN STAFF DECLARES

Russians suffer reverse near Jaroslau and in Carpathians.
VIENNA, Oct. 10.—The Austrian staff declares that the Russian offensive in the direction of Przemyśl has been checked.

Alaska Coal Bill Killed in Senate
WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—No Alaska coal bill will be passed by the Conference, Senator Myers, of the Conference committee, told the Senate this afternoon after a vote by the Senate of 21 to 23 rejecting the conference report.

OIL TANKS FLYING U. S. FLAG BURN IN ANTWERP

Americans Suffer Loss From Bombardment by Germans.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—The German attacking force at Antwerp set fire to oil tanks there while the American flag was flying over them, according to a dispatch to the State Department this morning from Consul General Henry Dietrich.

ANTWERP REFUGEE TRAIN IS STRUCK BY PROJECTILE

Fugitives Were About to Leave for Holland—Hospital Burned.
AMSTERDAM, Oct. 10.—Fire raged throughout the southern quarter of Antwerp, as well as in the suburb of Berchem, all of last night. The orphanage on the Rue Louise was set on fire. Happily the inmates had left when the blaze broke out.

FRENCH RENEW OFFENSIVE IN ALSATIAN CAMPAIGN

Advance Reported Along Extended Line—Germans Lose in Vosges.
PARIS, Oct. 10.—A dispatch from Basel states that the French have taken the offensive in Alsace and have been advancing over an extended line.

CAPTAIN COLEMAN ASKED TO EXPLAIN WAR TALK

War Department Investigates Alleged Charge Against Germans.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—Secretary of War Garrison today called upon Captain Le Vert Coleman, of the coast artillery corps, to explain an interview in New York in which he was reported to have stated that German atrocities were committed by the direct order of German officials and that the Kaiser instructed his men not to give or take any quarter.

63,000 PRIESTS IN ARMIES

Vatican Learns of Aid Given by Clergymen.
ROME, Oct. 10.—According to reports received at the Vatican, more than 63,000 ecclesiastics are now serving in different capacities with the armies in the field, especially in the Belgian, French and Austrian forces.

FIGHTING IN MEXICO

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—Further fighting in Sonora, Mexico, was reported to Constitutional headquarters here today by General Hill. Telegraphing from Naco, he said:
"Two assaults were repulsed yesterday and skirmishing continues. Our position is such that the enemy will never be able to take it. I have plenty of ammunition. Our firing is accurate and our fortifications strong."

AMONG THE NEW BOOKS

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RIDDLE RELATING TO RUM

Why Do Prohibition States Send Bibulous Representatives to Congress
The declaration of Joseph Walker, candidate of the Progressive party for Governor of Massachusetts, in favor of nation-wide prohibition on the theory that the state application of this principle is relatively ineffective, recalls a conundrum presented by his distinguished father in conversation some years ago, says the Boston Herald.
"Why is it that the prohibition States—naming several—send the worst drunkards to the Congress of the United States?"
The question was not without point. It was undeniable at the time that the States in which liquor drinking was under the severest legislative restriction were represented in Congress by men of very liberal imbibing practices. A number of answers suggest themselves. Perhaps the men in Washington were taking advantage of opportunities denied them at home. It is possible that they were not insured to the temptations of the license system. At all events the question, characteristic of the incisive spirit of the "gray eagle of the Quinsigamond," suggests one of the many anomalies of the long-persistent liquor question.

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